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5 September 1949

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1. Thirty-nine single-engine aircraft were parked in five rows on the southeastern edge of the DESSAU (N 52/E 06) airfield. Three planes were without wings.

8 September 1949

2. Forty to sixty single-engine conventional aircraft were parked in an open square on the northeastern edge of the DESSAU airfield. Two-thirds of the runway looked black and one-third, toward the west, was yellow with black longitudinal stripes (presumably concrete).

8 to 15 September 1949

3. About 80 low-wing monoplanes, some with elliptical wings, others with trapezoidal wings, and 10 biplanes were parked on the northern edge and eastern edge of the DESSAU airfield. There was no flying.

4. The reconditioned buildings of the former Juno Plant

\_\_\_\_\_ were occupied by a Soviet Air Force unit. \_\_\_\_\_ trucks \_\_\_\_\_ were observed. The construction sheds south of the runway were torn down. The narrow-gauge field railroad line, however, was being used for hauling building material.

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5. An estimated 60 to 70 fighters with dihedral wings were parked on the southeastern edge of the DESSAU airfield. There was no flying. \_\_\_\_\_ trucks \_\_\_\_\_ were proceeding toward the field. \* The E-W runway was extended by about 1,600 feet toward the west. The spur track was reconditioned. All hangars were destroyed. About five hundred Soviet Air Force troops were quartered in ALFEN.

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[REDACTED] Comment:

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\* [REDACTED] it is assumed that the new  
air unit in LIESSAU had come from BRANDIS. 50X1-HUM

This is the first [REDACTED] occupation by an air unit  
of the LIESSAU airfield since the completion of the construction 50X1-HUM  
work. [REDACTED] it is 50X1-HUM

inferred that two fighter regiments are stationed there.

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